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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 683
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend
Detective Larry Holman, Jr., for his acts of
heroism and bravery.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly of the State of Tennessee should honor those persons who through their endeavors are credits to their respective families, communities, and to the state; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding person is Detective Larry L. Holman, Jr., who on November 14, 1999, along with Chief Deputy James "Hootie" Bentley, were viciously shot by an unknown assailant while on a call to a home in the Blue Water community; and

WHEREAS, Officers Tim Buchanan, John Estes, and Jerry Simmons were sent by Chief Roger Livengood to provide support to Detective Holman and Deputy Bentley after they were gunned down; and

WHEREAS, the two shot officers lay seriously wounded and under constant threat for more than 90 minutes; and

WHEREAS, Officer John Estes, Deputies Dennis Goltz, and Carl Hutchinson, and Constable Wayne Qualls located the wounded Chief Bentley and carried him to a patrol car with Officers Buchanan and Simmons. Chief Bentley was then taken to an ambulance; and

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WHEREAS, Officers Buchanan and Simmons then asked three deputies, Mr. Goltz, Mr. Hutchinson, and Mr. Kenny Lynn to rescue Detective Larry Holman, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, with the three deputies acting as security, officers Buchanan and Simmons were able to get the heroic Detective Holman into their car and back to an ambulance; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor this gallant police officer for his noble action; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we express our deepest appreciation to Detective Larry L. Holman, Jr. whose brave actions make him a hero. We hope that he has a successful recovery and wish him well in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.